

The
South African Library for the Blind
GRAHAMSTOWN

BRAILLE BOOKS.
MOON TYPE BOOKS.
MUSIC.
TALKING BOOK RECORDS.

EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

1st January, 1941—31st December, 1941.

The South African Library for the Blind.

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MISS J. E. WOOD.

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EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting was held in St. George's Hall on Wednesday, May 27, 1942. The Hon. Judge-President, Mr. Justice C. W. H. Lansdown presided and called on the Secretary and Treasurer to read their reports.

SECRETARY'S REPORT FOR 1941

We had the honour of a visit from our Patroness-in-Chief, H.E. Lady Duncan. She was much interested in the work and offered to back any appeal we should make for funds. We deeply regret the death of our kind friend and helper, Mr. W. P. Hodges, who audited our accounts for many years. Then, too, we have lost one of our patrons, Mrs. C. H. Vintcent, who did so much for St. Dunstan's in this country. We are grateful to Mr. E. A. Wagstaff for undertaking our audit at short notice.

The S.A. National Council for the Blind held its sixth bi-ennial meeting in June in Bloemfontein. The Library is entitled to send two delegates. Prof. Rousseau attended, but Miss Wood was prevented from doing so by illness. She was again elected to the Executive.

BOOKS AND MAGAZINES.

Miss Krause and Miss Levick sent out over 6,000 magazines and nearly as many Braille and Moon volumes. Miss Spurling most kindly helped us when any member of the staff was on holiday. Braille and Moon volumes now number over 8,600. We added 553 and of these 131 were gifts. Worcester School gave us some Afrikaans books and other gifts came from voluntary transcribers overseas. Readers gave us books and extra copies of "Pandas" and an anonymous friend subscribed for "The Reader's

Digest." Mr. Allwright sends two copies of his quarterly "Braille Club Magazine" (the January number has a short history of the Library). Among books bought from England were: "Land of the White Parasol" (Indo-China), Sir Neville Henderson's "Failure of a Mission," Llewellyn's "How Green was my Valley." We bought some books in Standard English Braille from "The American Printing House" including "The Flying Carpet," "Over African Jungles" and "Reaching for the Stars," as well as some good fiction. The "Perkins Institute for the Blind," Massachusetts, gave us "Maps of the Month" and we bought other maps as they are in great demand.

READERS' LETTERS

One man recalls that twenty years ago he had his first book from the Library—a book of fairy tales. He compares the Library then with what it is to-day in its "vast quantity of reading matter for recreation and for education." He expressed his gratitude and enclosed a cheque.

One woman wrote of "The Four Feathers": "I fell on it like a hungry hunter; it is certainly very interesting and our boys must be in those very parts now." Few readers now-a-days care for Dickens, but one girl writes "I am quite sorry that "Nicholas Nickleby" is finished. I did not find a dull page." An M.A. student is most grateful to all who have helped him with his studies—to the Library for books; to Mr. Allwright for braillying his lectures and to Miss Cunningham for summarising those Victorian novels he had no time to read.

One girl says "We had great fun with the Gilbert and Sullivan books, playing the records of the songs and four of us reading the dialogue, two reading from Braille."

One reader in sending good wishes for the New Year said: "In spite of the terrible world confusion the looms of God are weaving the pattern of things to come, and I am sure if we could see the pattern as a whole instead of looking at it like ants crawling on a carpet, we should see that it is good."

TRANSCRIBERS.

We much regret that Miss Stidolph, who has done so much splendid work for us, has been ordered by her doctor to give up writing Braille. She completed "My Lady Frivol." Mrs. Vernal is at work on a South African story. She gave valuable help in training other transcribers. Miss Watson re-copied two worn out books. One was "In the Fog." Two volumes of another book sent to be bound were lost at sea. She is valiantly doing them again. She is training blind readers to take a transcriber's test. Father Millard transcribed "Return Via Dunkirk," "I was Graaf Spee's Prisoner" and "Come Wind, Come Weather." Mrs. Rose Innes did "Lavender and Old Lace." Mrs. van Ginkel did several special pamphlets. Mr. Matthews was called up before completing his last book. Mrs. Var-der continues her helpful correspondence with Guides.

The Worcester School for the Blind have finished their production of the Afrikaans Bible in Braille and have kindly undertaken to bind our hand done books.

For the time being Miss Blackwell is not training any new Braille transcribers for, not only are writing machines very difficult to obtain, but paper shortage is acute and beginners are apt to waste a great deal of

paper. We hope our readers will use old drawing books for their ordinary Braille correspondence. Mr. Meaker has very kindly brailled playing cards when readers asked for them.

TALKING BOOKS.

During the year Mrs. Bodmer sent out 13,557 records—an increase of 1,000 on the previous year. There were 45 broken in the post. We supply 57 individual readers and five societies. Eleven readers were new. Some records were sent to St. Dunstan's for the newly blinded in hospital in Capetown. We are hoping soon to be able to buy Afrikaans talking book records, as experiments in making them are being carried on. We bought 563 new records (36 books) from the National Institute, London, and from the American Foundation for the Blind, New York. Many more were ordered. We now have 239 books. We received one Talking Book machine that had been ordered the year before and that was sent to a new reader. We have lent one machine to a man in Durban and another to the Pretoria Society for a special case. Among new books received were "North-West Passage," "Rebecca" and "The Good Earth."

We have had many grateful letters. One girl thanks us for the intense pleasure given to her mother and says: "Your books made in her life the difference between night and day."

The South African National Council for the Blind and St. Dunstan's and the executors in the estate of the late E. M. Howard each gave us £50 for Talking Books and equipment.

FUNDS.

We are grateful to public bodies who have helped us. The Social Welfare Department made us a grant-in-aid of £200, the extra £100 to be reserved for buying Afrikaans records. Our Member of Parliament, Mr. T.

B. Bowker, kindly moved in this matter and the condition was subsequently withdrawn.

The four Provincial Councils, two divisional councils and four municipalities (including our own) have made us grants. Money came from the Grahamstown Bowling Club and from the Molteno Girl Guides. Schools helped us generously. Locally, V.G. H.S. (Macdonald House) and the D.S.G. St. Andrew's College gave us money for house badges made by Miss Nonie Mullins and friends. Further afield we had substantial help from the Barnato Park High School for Girls, Johannesburg, from the Brakpan Anzac School and from the Queenstown Girls' High School.

Public Libraries have again had our collecting boxes. The Grahamstown street collection was arranged by the Women's League of Help. We are very grateful to them and their collectors. We are mindful of what the local press, the Standard Bank, the Eastern Province Guardian Company and, not least, the local Post Office do for us, all of them have proved our very good friends, and we thank them heartily as we do many private donors and subscribers.

As the report is being cut down owing to paper shortage, we cannot give the names of all those who have kindly given us books, magazines, and Christmas cards, but we are most grateful to them. We are sending reports to subscribers but if anyone wishes for copies of the balance sheet they can be had on application to the secretary.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Lieut.-Col. B. M. Fuller, the hon. treasurer, reported: I am sorry to say that our annual deficit is still with us, though it is of a much smaller size, namely £40 as compared with £91 last year and £160 the year before.

Our income for the year 1941 was £955, which is an increase of £80 on the previous year. Donations, subscriptions and collections amounted to £255, which is again an increase on the previous year. I can only repeat what our hon. secretary has already said that we are most sincerely grateful to all those who have given, for their continued support in these most difficult times. The Department of Social Welfare has shown its appreciation of our work by doubling its annual grant and you will all be glad to hear that our City Council has seen its way to renewing its annual grant in aid.

The increase in Expenditure of £30 was chiefly due to our having spent £15 more in repairs and having written off £17 more for depreciation. You will remember that the amount spent on repairs the previous year was particularly low.

Turning to the balance sheet, our capital in spite of our usual annual deficit continues to increase. It now amounts to £7,287. The increase is reflected on the assets side, chiefly in talking book equipment and in our cash and bank balances.

In conclusion, I must say that I congratulate most heartily all concerned in the highly satisfactory state of our finances in this the third year of the war. (Applause.)

CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH.

The Judge-President said: My Lord Bishop, ladies and gentlemen: You have listened, I am sure with great interest, to Miss Wood's able report of the year's activities and to a clear and intelligible statement by Colonel Fuller as to the finances. These documents have given us evidence of splendid service and increasing usefulness and have conveyed the assurance that the Library is administered with ability and economy.

This Library is a strong limb of the service to the blind in South Africa. Its work is appreciated by the Government, and I am delighted to see that the State Department of Social Welfare has increased our subsidy from £100 to £200. In addition we have votes from each of the four Provincial Councils and a number of local government bodies including the Divisional Council of Albany and the City Council of Grahamstown. The Library is entitled to two representatives on the National Council for the Blind, and in this connection we offer our congratulations to Miss Wood on her re-election to the Executive Committee of the Council and our thanks to Prof. Rousseau for having been so good as to represent the Library at the Council's last meeting.

But Government and institutional support alone are not enough. We want the public to feel that here lies a splendid opportunity for service, and that, notwithstanding the many other calls which are justly made upon them in these days, the claims of the blind always deserve sympathetic consideration. You have heard from Colonel Fuller that, notwithstanding careful economy in administration, our annual deficit continues, though less this year since it amounts to only £40, but it would be satisfactory if, by an increase of contributors or contributions, we could level up revenue and expenditure. This Library is dignified, almost to a point of muteness, in its appeal to the public for funds, and perhaps wisely so since too much demanding often defeats its own purpose; but I feel sure the public will realise the good that may be done, the light that may be brought to a very special problem of darkness by supporting the splendid efforts of this Library for the Blind.

Darkness is one of the all-pervading evils of these times. On that tragic night of August, 1914, when war broke out, a weary and unhappy man, the late Lord Grey, looked out south-west from a window of Whitehall and sadly exclaimed "The lights have gone out over Europe: they will not be relit in our time," a more prophetic utterance than even himself, I think, contemplated. The world suffers not only the physical and material darkness occasioned by war, but the spiritual darkness which war inevitably brings in its train—the spiritual darkness spread like a pestilence by the accursed set of gangsters who seek to enslave the nations, body and soul. We must have faith that all will come right, and doubt not that

"Through the ages one increasing purpose runs,"

and I would like here, with Miss Wood's permission, to repeat that eloquent little expression of faith which she read from a letter from one of the Library's readers. He wrote "In spite of the terrible world confusion the looms of God are weaving the pattern of things to come, and I am sure if we could see the pattern as a whole instead of looking at it like ants crawling on a carpet, we should see that it is good."

But faith without works is, I am afraid, not of much account. In General Smuts' striking phrase humanity is on the march, and we must be up and doing, striving all we can for the right and the light. Not only are our supreme efforts needed for the battle front, but it is not too early to set about work for the evolution of our social organisation so that slums and poverty, vice and disease, unemployment, injustice and inequality shall, as far as human effort can devise, be eliminated, and light brought to the darkness occasioned by these unnecessary evils. And in all our efforts to improve things on the home front,

I hope that we shall in no wise neglect the very special problem of darkness presented by blindness, and that the public will not fail to extend, in generous measure, sympathy and support for the splendid efforts of this Library on behalf of those whom it serves.

In moving the adoption of the report and the accounts, I would like to add a special vote of thanks to Miss Wood, the hon. secretary, and her devoted staff, to Colonel Fuller, our hon. treasurer, and Mr. E. A. P.

Wagstaff, our hon. auditor, who has nobly come to our assistance at short notice, to our transcribers and contributors, and to all those who by their work or their support have in the past year helped the work of the Library. (Applause.)

The Bishop of Grahamstown, the Rt. Rev. A. H. Cullen, seconded the adoption of the reports and moved a vote of thanks to his Lordship for presiding and for his splendid and uplifting remarks about the value of the work done by the Library.



SUBSCRIPTIONS, DONATIONS, GIFTS

From January 1st to December 31st, 1941.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Allen, Mrs.	10	0		Gordon, Peter....	10	0	
Anonymous, Alice	1	1	0	Greathead, Miss	6	0	
Anonymous, Delmas	2	0	0	Greathead, Mrs.	1	1	0
Anonymous, E. M. A.	2	6		Greathead, Miss Jüel	5	0	
Anonymous, England ..	7	0		Greenwood, Mr.	10	0	
Anonymous, Grahamstown	5	0	0	Guard, Miss C.	10	0	
Anonymous, Grahamstown	3	0	0	Hall, Miss A. V.	1	0	0
Anonymous, by Mrs. G.	1	0	0	Hall, Miss G.	1	0	0
Ashe, Mrs.	1	0	0	Hannington, A. M., and			
Ayliff, Miss Rose	5	0		Thomson, J. G.	12	0	
Barberton, Mr. I. Mitford	1	1	0	Herley, Mr. W. W.	10	0	
Barnes, Mr. & Mrs. H. R.	1	1	0	Hewitt, Dr. & Mrs. J.	1	1	0
Barratt, Mrs.	1	7	6	Holmes, Mrs. Bernard	1	0	0
Bennett, Rev. C. W.	1	1	0	Hughes, Mrs.	2	6	
Beves, Mrs.	1	1	0	Immerman, Mr.	1	0	0
Bond, Mrs. Beviss	5	0	0	Jacobs, Miss	6		
Bond, Mr. & Mrs. W. P.	1	1	0	Kannemeyer, Mr. D. V.	1	1	0
Breetzke, Mrs. L.	1	0	0	Kidger, Mr. C. E.	1	1	0
Brevis, Mr. P. G.	1	0	0	Kruger, Mr. J. C.	2	6	
Brevis, Mr. W. F.	5	5	0	Lamb, Miss A. F.	3	3	0
Brookes, Mrs.	10	0		Lansdown, Hon. C. W. H.	2	2	0
Brunsdon, Miss S. E.	1	6	0	Lawrance, Miss W.	1	0	
Carlisle, Miss	1	1	0	Lefebvre, Mrs.	1	0	0
Christie, Mr. & Mrs. C.	1	1	0	Light, Mrs.	5	0	
Cockerton, Mrs.	1	1	6	Luyt, Miss E.	10	0	
Coetzee, Miss M.	10	0		MacGillivray, Messrs. C. R.			
Coetzee, Miss R.	10	0		and W.	2	2	0
Cohen, Mr. & Mrs. Max	1	1	0	MacPherson, Miss J.	10	0	
Copeman, Mrs.	1	1	0	Mardall, Mrs.	1	2	0
Darbyshire, Miss	10	0		Marillier, Miss	1	0	0
Davies, Miss E. B.	5	0		Matthew, Mr. H. M.	1	0	0
Dixon, Mr. W. G.	5	0	0	Miles, Mrs. Talbot	2	6	
Douglas, Mrs. R.	5	0		Morgan, Mrs. Voyle	10	0	
Drury, Mrs. Dru	1	1	0	Mullins, Miss Nonie and			
Du Plessis, Miss	6	0		Helpers	3	8	5
Edwards, Miss G. E.	2	2	0	Nicholas, Mr.	1	0	0
Emslie, Miss	3	0	0	Ossher, Mr. & Mrs. Morris	10	6	
Espin, Mr. C. E.	1	0	0	Paddon, Mrs.	1	0	0
Gant, Mr. & Mrs. C. S.	1	1	0	Parsons, Mrs.	1	0	0
Garcia, Mrs.	2	6		Pearse, Miss E. R.	15	0	
Garnett, Mrs.	10	0		Purdon, Mrs. R.	1	0	0
Gibbon, Mr. H.	1	1	0	Queate, Mr.	7	6	

			Provincial Councils, Grant-in-Aid.		
			£	s.	s.
Ratsey, Mrs.	1	0	6		
Reeler, Mrs.	1	1	0		
Ritchie, Mr. T. P.	1	3	6		
Robb, Mr. D.		6	0		
Roberts, Miss B.	1	0	0		
Savage, Mrs.		10	0		
Schermbrucker, Mr. G. S.	1	3	6		
Shand, Mrs.		5	0		
Shaw, Mrs. G. B. H.	1	0	0		
Sleading and Tidmarsh, the Misses	1	1	0		
Sprigg, Miss J.		10	0		
Stander, Miss B.		2	0		
Stidolph, Miss M.	1	0	0		
Strachan, Mrs.	1	0	0		
Thomas, Dr. & Mrs. Smeath (for 1940-41)	2	2	0		
Thomas, Mr. R. F.		10	0		
Thwaites, Miss Viola ..		10	0		
Tregelles, Mrs.	2	0	0		
Tribolet, Mrs.	1	0	0		
Trower, Miss	1	0	0		
Twine, Mr. P. J.		10	0		
Van Niekerk, Mr. C. W. C.		10	0		
Van Niekerk, Miss M.		5	0		
Van Rooyen, Miss Anna....		10	0		
Van Velden, Mr. A. C.	1	1	0		
Varder, Mrs.		10	0		
Vernal, Mrs.	1	1	0		
Venter, Miss Anna		3	0		
Venter, Miss C.		10	0		
Venter, Miss A. & Mr. B.	12	6			
Verreyne, Miss H.		2	0		
Vyvyan, Mrs.	2	2	0		
Weir, Mrs.		10	6		
White, Mrs. F. R.	2	2	0		
Whitehorn, Mrs.	1	0	0		
Wiles, Mrs. C. C.		10	0		
Williamson, Miss	1	0	0		
Wood, Mrs. Henry	1	1	0		
Wood, Miss Beatrice	1	1	0		
Worringham, Miss	11	0			
Bequest.					
Estate of the late E. W. Howard, Krugersdorp, by Messrs. A. G. Blake and Miller	50	0	0		
			Social Welfare Grant-in-Aid.		
				£	s. s.
			Cape Province	100	0 0
			Transvaal	25	0 0
			Orange Free State	25	0 0
			Natal	50	0 0
			Municipalities.		
			Cambridge	2	0 0
			Grahamstown	10	0 0
			Johannesburg	10	0 0
			Queenstown	2	2 0
			Divisional Councils.		
			Albany	5	0 0
			Port Elizabeth	10	0 0
			Street Collection.		
			Grahamstown Street Col- lection	34	2 8
			Societies.		
			S. African National Council for the Blind	50	0 0
			St. Dunstan's S. African Committee (per Mrs. Chadwick Bates)	50	0 0
			East London Society for the Blind	5	0 0
			Johannesburg Civilian Blind Society	5	5 0
			National Home Reading Union	1	10 0
			Rhodesian Society for the Blind	10	10 0
			Port Elizabeth Civilian Blind Society	5	0 0
			Clubs.		
			Grahamstown Bowling Club "Tribe Pairs" (per Mr. Tredgold)	5	17 6
			Girl Guides.		
			Moltano	1	0 0

	£	s.	s.		£	s.	s.
Schools.				East London	8	0	
Anzac Government School, Brakpan (per Mrs. Tweedie)	3	0	0	Ermelo	1	3	0
Diocesan School for Girls, Grahamstown	5	0	0	Kimberley	14	6	
Johannesburg High School for Girls, Barnato Park (Library Section)	10	8	6	King William's Town.....	1	15	0
Queenstown Girls' High School (Burt House)	1	0	0	Kokstad.....	8	0	
Victoria Girls' High School (Macdonald House)	8	4	0	Kuruman	1	10	0
Public Libraries and Other Collecting Boxes.				Malmesbury	7	6	
Aliwal North	3	4	6	Natal Society Public Lib- rary, Pietermaritzburg ..	1	3	6
Barberton	10	0		Oudtshoorn.....	8	0	
Bedford	9	0		Port Elizabeth	3	0	0
Benoni.....	2	0	0	Pietermaritzburg	1	1	0
Bloemfontein	1	0	6	Pilgrims Rest	1	6	3
Boksburg	1	0	0	Pertoria (State Library) ..	3	5	3
Ceres	14	10		Queenstown	14	6	
Colesberg	1	0	0	Rondebosch	1	0	0
				S. African Library for the Blind.....	1	15	10
				Simonstown	1	8	0
				Uitenhage	13	3	
				Umtata.....	10	0	
				Willowvale.....	1	6	6
				Witbank Club.....	10	1	
				Wynberg	10	0	



RULES.

1. The books are lent free of charge.
2. The books go by post by special rate to any part of the Union.
(For rates see back of cover.) Books must not be sent by rail.
3. Readers are requested to send a list of books required, and to return each volume as soon as read.
4. A volume may be kept for one month unless needed for study, when, with the permission of the Librarian, it may be kept for a longer period.
5. Readers are asked not to keep magazines or knitting patterns, but to return each one with the book with which it is sent.
6. Readers are begged to take great care of the books, to keep them clean and free from damp, and not to turn down pages.
7. Canvas covers, cardboard covers or strong paper and string are used for packing the books. Readers should pack the books carefully in these for return postage.
8. Readers are begged to let the Librarian know at once of any change of address.
9. Any infectious or contagious illness shall *at once* be notified to the Librarian.
10. Anyone wanting to borrow books should send a letter of reference from a J.P., a clergyman or other well-known person acquainted with them.
11. All letters referring to books, Braille paper, etc., should be addressed to:

THE SECRETARY,
South African Library for the Blind,
Grahamstown.

THE SOUTH AFRICAN LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND.

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1941.

CAPITAL AND LIABILITIES.		
SUNDRY CREDITORS	£6	0 0
DEVELOPMENT FUND	1000	0 0
GODLONTON BEQUEST	500	0 0
STRUBEN BEQUEST	250	0 0
HOWARD BEQUEST	250	0 0
SHERRY BEQUEST	50	0 0
CAPITAL ACCOUNT.		
As per last Balance Sheet	£5112	5 8
Add Talking Book Donations	150	0 0
„ Gift Books	10	0 0
	5272	5 8
Less Deficit for the year	40	9 4
	5231	16 4

PROPERTY AND ASSETS.		
PROPERTY.		
As per last Balance Sheet	£3067	10 11
Less Depreciation	30	13 6
	£3036	17 5
BOOKS AND CASES.		
As per last Balance Sheet	823	11 0
Add Additions less Sales during the year	142	9 11
	966	0 11
Less Depreciation	96	12 1
	869	8 10
FURNITURE, FITTINGS AND EQUIPMENT.		
As per last Balance Sheet	210	11 9
Add Additions during the year	24	6 9
	234	18 6
Less Depreciation	17	12 6
	217	6 0
TALKING BOOK MACHINE AND EQUIPMENT.		
As per last Balance Sheet	384	14 1
Add Additions less Sales during the year	153	19 3
	538	13 4
Less Depreciation	107	14 8
	430	18 8
STOCKS ON HAND.		
Braille Machines. Paper, etc.	22	6 8
Needles	20	5 2
	42	11 10
SUNDRY DEBTORS.		
National Institute for the Blind	2	14 4
Accrued Interest	36	2 11
Accrued Grant	12	10 0
	51	7 3
PAYMENTS IN ADVANCE	3	16 0
DEVELOPMENT FUND.		
S.A. Permanent Mutual Building Society.		
Fixed Deposit	1000	0 0
GODLONTON BEQUEST INVESTMENT.		
United Building Society.		
Permanent Preference Shares 5%	500	0 0
STRUBEN BEQUEST INVESTMENT.		
United Building Society.		
Permanent Preference Shares 5%	250	0 0
HOWARD BEQUEST INVESTMENT.		
United Building Society.		
Permanent Preference Shares 5%	250	0 0
SHERRY BEQUEST INVESTMENT.		
E.P. Guardian Loan and Investment Company.		
Fixed Deposit	50	0 0
CASH AND BANK BALANCES.		
Standard Bank of South Africa—		
Current Account	122	16 10
E.P. Building Society—at Call	159	16 10
E.P. Guardian Coy.—Fixed Deposit	200	0 0
E.P. Guardian Coy.—at Call	101	10 2
Cash in hand	1	6 6
	585	10 4
	£7287	16 4

£7287 16 4

I hereby certify that I have examined the above Balance Sheet of the South African Library for the Blind as at 31st December, 1941, and in my opinion, it is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Society's affairs according to the information and explanations given to me and as shown by the books of the Society.

E. A. P. WAGSTAFF,
Certified Accountant,
Auditor.

13th May, 1942.

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1941.

EXPENDITURE.				INCOME.			
To Salaries and Bonuses		£500	4 0	By Donations, Subscriptions and Collections		£254	19 7
„ Wages		39	18 0	„ Rents		155	19 2
„ Rates and Taxes		46	4 4	„ Grants:—			
„ Advertising, Printing and Stationery		32	11 10	Provincial Councils:—			
„ Accountancy		12	0 0	Natal	£50	0 0	
„ Insurance		6	16 11	Cape	100	0 0	
„ Lighting		2	17 10	Orange Free State	25	0 0	
„ Repairs		16	0 6	Transvaal	25	0 0	
„ Sundry Expenses:—Bank Charges and Sundries		60	13 7			200	0 0
„ Donations to other Institutions		25	0 0	Department of Social Welfare		200	0 0
„ Depreciation:—				Divisional Councils:—			
1% Property	£30	13 6		Albany	5	0 0	
7½% Furniture, Fixtures, etc.	17	12 6		Port Elizabeth	10	0 0	
10% Books and Cases	96	12 1				15	0 0
20% Talking Equipment	107	14 8		Municipalities:—			
		252	12 9	Johannesburg	10	0 0	
				Grahamstown	10	0 0	
				Cambridge	2	0 0	
				Queenstown	2	2 0	
						24	2 0
				„ Interest and Dividends		104	9 8
				„ Balance, being Deficit for the year		40	9 4
						£994	19 9
		£994	19 9				

POSTAL REGULATIONS.

LITERATURE FOR THE BLIND.

Papers of any kind, periodicals, and books, impressed or to be impressed in "Braille," or other special type for the use of the blind, when posted within the Union for transmission to a place within the Union, are transmissible at the rate given below, provided that they—

- (a) do not contain any communication, either in writing or printed in ordinary type, except the title and table of contents of the book or periodical and any key to or instructions for the use of the special type, or any enclosure except a label for the return of the packet;
- (b) bear on the outside the inscription "Literature for the Blind," and the name and address of the sender;
- (c) be posted either without a cover or in a cover open at both ends which can easily be removed for examination of the contents;

For a packet not exceeding 3lb. in weight.....	½d.
For a packet exceeding 3lb. and not exceeding 7lb.....	1d.
For a packet exceeding 7lb. and not exceeding 11lb.....	1½d.
For a packet exceeding 11lb. and not exceeding 15lb. 6oz. ..	2d.

The limit of weight is 15lb. 6oz., and the maximum dimensions are the same as for letters.

Voice records on discs, styled "Talking Book records," securely packed, are also transmissible at the above rates, provided they are despatched from or addressed to certain recognised institutes for the blind. (Page 42, Post Office Guide, January, 1941.)